



Eastwood Newsletter



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2010 Season Draws to a Close

The first rule of public presentation, whether written or spoken, is "Never open with an apology!" But your Eastwood Men's Club Newsletter Editorial Board owes you just that. Through an unexplainable series of mechanical problems and mental lapses, we did not deliver your newsletter before our final event, The Shamble.

Having said that, we have a final newsletter complete now and delivered to your door. In this case, late is surely better than never. It has been our hope all along that this monthly (or so) communication has been helpful, informative and entertaining. Let's celebrate our remaining beautiful days of autumn and look ahead to a bright and exciting 2011 season.

--Ed.

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Eastwood Driving Range

Open daily from Dawn to Dusk

"Through the years of experience I have found that air offers less resistance than dirt."

Jack Nicklaus

From the Club President

Hard to believe we have come to the final event of our season, glory's last shot. I have enjoyed being president this past year, and I want to thank Mr. Gorman, Mr. Minske, Ryan, Jake, and all the Eastwood board members for their hard work making all the events a success. I would also like to thank Mr. Minske and his staff for all their work putting in the new bunkers, the new cart paths, and generally keeping the course in great shape. The final piece of business is that the Men's Club board is looking for new members for next season. If you want to serve as a board member, please submit your name in the clubhouse or to any board member. Again, thanks to all for a great golf season. I've had fun.

Jeff Ehrhart

Letter from our Club Professional

Dear Men's Club Members –

In our final publication of the season, I would first of all like to congratulate Steve Hjortness as the 2010 Rochester All-City Golf Champion. It was also very cool to see the final foursome at the Rochester Country Club consist of four Eastwood members: Steve Hjortness, Ken Gerzsenyi, Ron Haugen, and Elton Mosman. Congratulations to everyone that played and proudly represented Eastwood.

What a unique season in Rochester City Golf with Mr. Minske and I having to oversee two facilities for the first time. It was only possible due to some fantastic help from the staffs at both courses. It seems we also had enough rain for about three golf seasons. But most importantly our Men's Club returned to the membership totals from the golden years of the 70's and 80's. I believe the final total was about 170 members, which is fabulous. Thank you all for your patience and support in this interesting golf season.

As we ease into what will hopefully be another extended fall golf season, we have several events to look forward to. The Clash at the Wood IV, Eastwood's version of the Ryder Cup, will take place on October 10. Our final Men's Club event for the season will be the Shootout. Look for more information regarding the Shootout from Mr. Bakken. Good luck to those playing in these last few events.

A couple of final notes from the old pro:

- All Golf Shop credit must be used by November 15.
- Fall Golf Merchandise Sale – Now is the time to get the best priced merchandise and apparel. We have the best prices you can find anywhere!
- Final Couples Golf Event scheduled for October 16, sign up today

In conclusion, I would like to personally thank Mr. Ryan Bakken for all of his efforts this season and in the past four golf seasons. Ryan is a wonderful assistant and I would love to retain his services in the future and would invite him back anytime. Thank you Ryan not only for your professionalism but your friendship.

Your P.G.A. Professional

Jeff Gorman

**All Golf Bags,
Wedges, and
Putters**

**50% OFF!
SAVE BIG NOW!!**

Golf Shirts:
**Buy 1,
Get 1 Free**
while they last!

The Practice Range will close for the season on Saturday, October 30th for Fall maintenance. Thanks for your patronage.

Letter from our Assistant Professional

From the desk of Ryan Bakken

Greetings! I would first like to extend a big thank you to the entire Men's Club for its support of Jake and me in the Minnesota PGA Assistant's Championship. We were able to sell enough raffle tickets to pay for both of our entry fees and our hotel accommodations. The tournament was held on September 27th at White Bear Yacht Club in Dellwood. Unfortunately, Jake and I were both battling a virus of some sort that somewhat zapped us of our energy and ability to adequately prepare. However, it was a fun day and if you'd like to see the results, you can view them at minnesotapga.com.

Congratulations to Tony Fyles! His raffle ticket was drawn after the Championship and he is now the lucky owner of a Callaway Diablo Tour Driver!

As the season winds down, so do our Four-Ball and Match Play competitions. I would like to use this space to congratulate the winners.

Four-Ball

Championship Division – Ken Gerzsenyi / Brian Gerzsenyi

Division I – Dan Zais / Robert Folliott

Division II – Tom Brower / Patrick Burch

Division III – Winner of Mike Gorman / Jim Roth vs. Brian Nelson / James Dilling

Division IV – Winner of Ross Messick / Dana Funk vs. Larry Norby / Norm Perlenfein

Division V – Walter Schlink / Ray Clark

* Four-Ball payout was \$30/player for 1st and \$20/player for 2nd.

64-Man Match Play

Final Four – Ken Gerzsenyi, Ray Clark, Greg Warner, Bob Ekstam

Championship Match – Ken Gerzsenyi vs. Bob Ekstam

With all of the Men's Club events finished for the 2010 season, we are now able to determine who has qualified for the Shootout. The standings below show the top 10. The bottom Shootout will consist of the bottom 10 money earners who competed in at least 10 events. We also have several alternates lined up for each Shootout should the qualifiers below be unable to play.

| <u>Shootout Standings- Top Ten</u> | | | <u>Shootout Standings – Bottom 10</u> | | |
|---|------------------------|-------------------------------|--|------------------------------|----------------------|
| <u>Player</u> | <u>Earnings</u> | <u>Events Attended</u> | <u>Player</u> | <u>Earnings/Event</u> | <u>Events</u> |
| Zais, Daniel | \$143.00 | 18 | Woolman, Fred | \$0.00 | 13 |
| Willert, Gaylan | \$117.00 | 21 | Kotajarvi, Brian | \$0.00 | 13 |
| Legrand, Ray | \$117.00 | 21 | Klampe, Terry | \$0.00 | 10 |
| Krolak, Dave | \$116.00 | 15 | Hildestad, Dan | \$0.31 | 16 |
| Jennings, Gary | \$113.00 | 21 | Silker, Frank | \$0.75 | 12 |
| Mortensen, Larry | \$111.00 | 10 | Perlenfein, Norm | \$0.87 | 15 |
| Clark, Ray | \$103.00 | 17 | Hameister, Don | \$0.94 | 16 |
| King, Greg | \$100.50 | 17 | Ebnet, Chris | \$1.07 | 14 |
| Johnson, Randy | \$99.00 | 13 | Jenkins, Joe | \$1.15 | 17 |
| Fritcher, Ron | \$96.00 | 16 | Kinsley, Shorty | \$1.17 | 18 |

For those who do not know, the Shootout is hole-by-hole elimination event in which the player with the highest net score is eliminated each hole. Any ties will be broken by a putt off or chip off, as determined by the scoring official. Therefore, the event will begin with 10 players on the first hole, 9 on the second, 8 on the third, etc. The last man standing after 9 holes will be the champion. The longer you last in the Shootout, the more money you make. The purse is \$200 for each Shootout. Please call Eastwood at 281.6173 to either confirm or cancel your spot.

As we close another golf season, I would like to extend a personal thank you to all of our members. The golf course has undergone many changes over the past several years, and the Men's Club has been responsible for many of those. Thank you for your dedication to the overall improvement of what has become one of the best golf facilities in the area. Thanks for your support and enjoyment in playing this game we all know and love!

Cheers,

Assistant Golf Professional *Ryan Bakken*

Eastwood Men's Club
Sunday Event: Best 2 of 4 Shamble
October 3, 2010

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| T-1 st | John Mozina Larry Mortensen Bill Tramel Tim Cuddihy | 109 | \$20.00/each |
| T-1 st | Steve Halverson Rick Lien Al Gorski Ray Clark | 109 | \$20.00/each |
| T-1 st | J.D. Seger Randy Johnson Louis Orr | 109 | \$20.00/each |
| T-1 st | Steve Swanson Dan Zais Mark Bofferding Tom Musta | 109 | \$20.00/each |
| T-1 st | Dave Norgaard Rick Turner Kevin Hennessey Ray Legrand | 109 | \$20.00/each |

Field Events (\$10 each)
Closest to the Pin

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|----------|-----------------|
| Hole #2 | John Beck |
| Hole #4 | Larry Mortensen |
| Hole #10 | Rick Lien |
| Hole #16 | Kevin Coughlin |

Seasons change and so do I...

You need not wonder why.

by *Red Ruffensore*

Bert Cummings of the musical group ***The Guess Who***, said it so well.

Seasons change. Today, summer changes to fall. Eventually it will change to something else. Today, Ruffensore says goodbye to summer like a savvy fashionista says goodbye to white shoes and white slacks until next Memorial Day. Today we say goodbye to posting our scores. Ruffensore too must say goodbye to old friends. Good bye, Mr. Gordon. So long Mr. Tanqueray. Mr. Bombay Sapphire, we ne'er got to know ye!

Tonic and gin have become my friends, my confidantes and my vehicle to many of summer's "happy places". They belong to the summer like my white patent leather belt and the sunroof on my car. They belong to the summer like the Farmers' Market and outdoor polka masses. Like leaves on our beautiful trees, that last bottle of gin is on its way to the recycling center.

It is a special sadness we feel once every year. The end of golf at Eastwood, the long break from our special Eastwood friends. Are we going to say good bye to the two Jeff's? Or Ryan and Jake? Of course. Of course not. Maybe for just a little while. Come springtime, we'll be dusting the rust off of our golf weapons, dreaming of birdies and pars and greeting our clubhouse friends again. Something will surely fill the void created by our Minnesota winter. Maybe your choice is a comforting Scottish or Irish whiskey; maybe you can find a warm, welcoming destination for a week or two; or, for some of us, the Tee House in Byron will become our off-season friend. If you are looking to have an old-fashioned conversation about golf, stop into the Eastwood Clubhouse during the winter and say hello to Mr. Gorman. It is a lonely time of year for him, too.

You'll not find Ruffensore in the Eastwood Grill once the snow sets in. He, like many, will take his shopping cart full of valued possessions, including that special Scotch Whiskey, and start walking south to a friendlier clime. Those days of wintering in the large appliance crates in the copse near the #5 tee are over. With any luck, an arrest for vagrancy will lead to a roof over my head and three square meals a day for 30 to 60 days. See you all in the spring. If I can post bail!

Red Ruffensore